

FISCAL NOTE

HB 2801 - SB 3345

February 22, 2008

SUMMARY OF BILL: Enacts the Budget Reform Act of 2008. Prohibits the Commissioner of Finance and Administration from having authority to deny carry forwards or to transfer funds from any Department of Transportation Funds, reserve accounts or programs in the Highway Fund or other funds created or referenced in Titles 54, 55, 57, 65, or 67. Requires specific and detailed reporting of capital projects in excess of \$250,000 in the appropriations bill. Authorizes the Governor to determine reporting method for capital projects under \$250,000.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Other Fiscal Impact – \$1,100,000 will not be transferred from the Highway Fund to the General Fund for the purpose of funding the Kerosene and Motor Fuels Quality Inspection Act of 1989 in FY08-09. Additional funds of unknown amounts could be prohibited from transfer from the Highway Fund as a result of this bill, thus preventing an unknown number of programs from being funded in the appropriations bill.

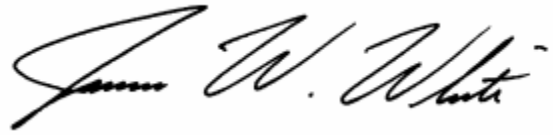
Assumptions:

- The fiscal impact of this bill is dependent upon several unknown factors such as the number of carry forwards and fund transfers that would occur under current law, the extent of each carry forward or fund transfer, and the availability of funds that could be transferred from the Highway Fund.
- Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 47-18-1311, the Commissioner of Finance and Administration (F&A) is authorized to transfer from highway user tax revenues allocated to the Highway Fund an amount sufficient to support the annual appropriation for the administration of the Kerosene and Motor Fuels Quality Inspection Act of 1989.
- According to F&A, the budgeted cost for the Kerosene and Motor Fuels Quality Inspection Act of 1989 for FY08-09 is \$1,100,000. This bill will prevent this transfer from occurring.
- Given the fiscal impact of this bill is dependent upon several unknown factors, it is estimated that some unknown amount exceeding

\$1,100,000 would not be available for appropriations for funding an unknown number of programs.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "James W. White". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

James W. White, Executive Director

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